

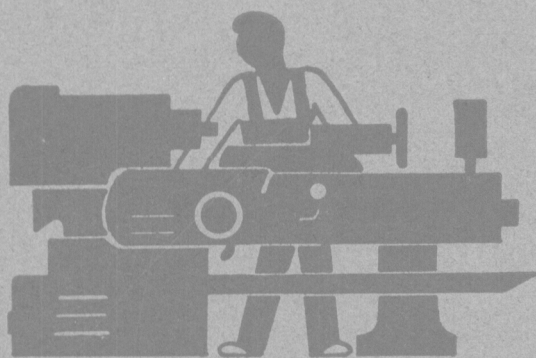
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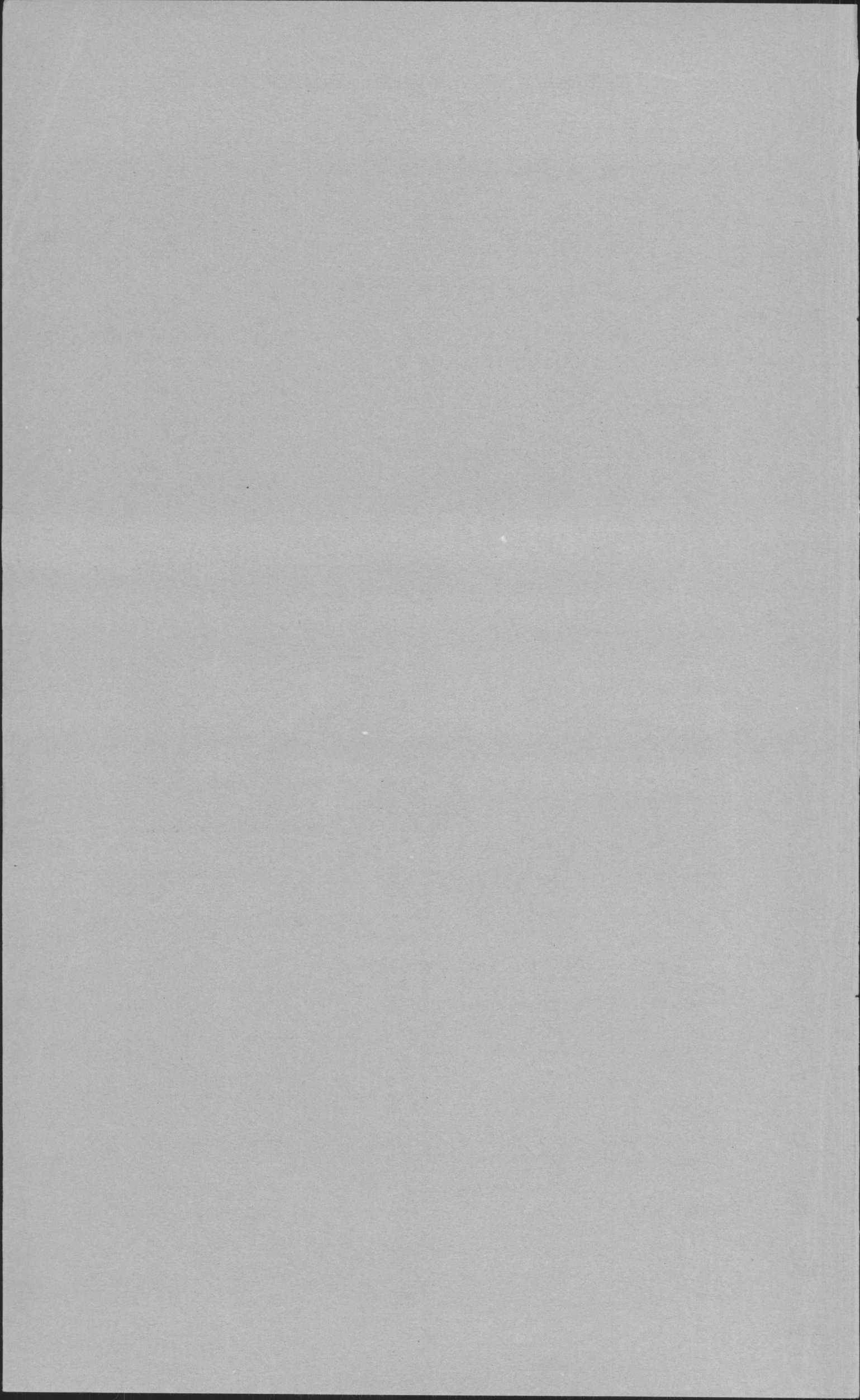


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Except where otherwise specified, employment figures contained in this Bulletin are based on data obtained from the 1933 Census, the Civilian Register of 1943, the Occupation Survey of 1945, Annual Censuses of Factory Production, and returns from Governmental Bodies, together with Pay-roll tax returns. Pay-roll tax returns at present cover approximately 77 per cent. of the total estimated number of wage and salary earners in civilian employment (excluding rural and female private domestics) and are lodged by all employers paying more than £200 a week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government Bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organizations specifically exempted under the Pay-roll Tax Assessment Act 1941-1957). This Act, when originally introduced in 1941, required employers paying wages of more than £20 a week to lodge returns. The exemption limit was raised to £80 a week from 1st October, 1953 and £120 a week from 1st September, 1954. The present exemption limit of £200 a week was introduced as from 1st September, 1957.

The terms "Employment", "Number Employed", "Employees" and "Wage Earners" used herein are synonymous with, and relate to, "Wage and salary earners" on pay-rolls or "In employment" in the latter part of each month as distinct from numbers of employees actually working on a specific date. They include persons employed part-time.

PREFACE

The figures relating to employment published in this Bulletin are estimates. From Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, the estimates have incorporated actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive Annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months. (See note (a) page 8).

Call-ups for short periods of National Service Training have occurred from time to time since August, 1951, and other variations occur in numbers of personnel in the Services. These are shown in item 4 below and in Table 4 page 3 hereof.

TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic) (Thousands)

	1958					1959	
	Jan.	Feb.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
MALES							
1. In Private Employment	1472.4	1473.9	1471.9	1478.5	1474.1	1472.1	1479.0
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	29.2	29.3	29.6	29.7	29.7	29.8	29.9
Other	140.5	140.0	140.2	140.4	140.3	142.9	142.8
State and Semi-Governmental	375.8	378.9	383.6	384.2	384.2	386.0	389.4
Local Government Bodies	66.4	66.3	68.1	68.5	68.6	68.4	68.8
2. Total Governmental	611.9	614.5	621.5	622.8	622.8	627.1	630.9
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2084.3	2088.4	2093.4	2101.3	2096.9	2099.2	2109.9
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	48.8	48.8	47.6	45.2	45.2	49.8	50.3
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2133.1	2137.2	2141.0	2146.5	2142.1	2149.0	2160.2

FEMALES

1. In Private Employment	656.7	661.0	657.9	662.5	664.5	659.9	665.6
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
Other	39.8	39.9	39.4	39.6	39.6	40.0	40.6
State and Semi-Governmental	80.0	83.5	85.1	85.1	84.4	85.4	88.0
Local Government Bodies	6.7	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.2
2. Total Governmental	132.7	136.3	137.6	137.8	137.1	138.6	142.0
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	789.4	797.3	795.5	800.3	801.6	798.5	807.6
4. Defence Forces (Permanent and Oversea)	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8
5. Total Civilian Employees and Defence Forces	791.2	799.1	797.4	802.2	803.4	800.4	809.4

PERSONS

1. In Private Employment	2129.1	2134.9	2129.8	2141.0	2138.6	2132.0	2144.6
In Governmental Employment -							
Commonwealth Bodies -							
Defence Group (a)	35.4	35.5	35.8	35.9	35.9	36.0	36.1
Other	180.3	179.9	179.6	180.0	179.9	182.9	183.4
State and Semi-Governmental	455.8	462.4	468.7	469.3	468.6	471.4	477.4
Local Government Bodies	73.1	73.0	75.0	75.4	75.5	75.4	76.0
2. Total Governmental	744.6	750.8	759.1	760.6	759.9	765.7	772.9
3. Grand Total in Civilian Employment	2873.7	2885.7	2888.9	2901.6	2898.5	2897.7	2917.5
4. Defence Forces (Permanent, Oversea and National Service Trainees in Camp) (b)	50.6	50.6	49.5	47.1	47.0	51.7	52.1
5. Total Civilian Employees, Defence Forces and Trainees	2924.3	2936.3	2938.4	2948.7	2945.5	2949.4	2969.6

(a) Comprises employees of the Departments of Air, Army, Navy, Defence and Supply.

(b) Excludes rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training.

* Revised.

I. GENERAL SUMMARY

TABLE 1 : TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,078.0	2,080.5	2,090.6	772.3	779.7	793.2	2,850.3	2,860.2	2,883.8
August	2,076.8	2,076.4	2,087.1	771.4	780.1	793.2	2,848.2	2,856.5	2,880.3
September	2,075.9	2,080.1	2,088.6	773.5	782.5	794.2	2,849.4	2,862.6	2,882.8
October	2,076.1	2,081.1	2,093.4	777.9	786.1	795.5	2,854.0	2,867.2	2,888.9
November	2,085.6	2,080.2	2,101.3	783.7	792.8	800.3	2,869.3	2,873.0	2,901.6
December	2,080.2	2,079.4	2,096.9	781.7	791.6	801.6	2,861.9	2,871.0	2,898.5
January	2,076.5	2,084.3	2,099.2	776.4	789.4	798.5	2,852.9	2,873.7	2,897.7
February	2,085.8	2,088.4	2,109.9	785.0	797.3	807.6	2,870.8	2,885.7	2,917.5
March	2,087.8	2,092.2		787.3	800.1		2,875.1	2,892.3	
April	2,079.6	2,092.9		782.6	796.2		2,862.2	2,889.1	
May	2,084.9	2,093.9		782.4	794.8		2,867.3	2,888.7	
June	2,084.7	2,093.9		780.2	792.6		2,864.9	2,886.5	

TABLE 2 - DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA

(Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp (a))

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	59.6	49.3	47.2	2.0	1.8	1.8	61.6	51.1	49.0
August	59.6	49.1	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	61.5	50.9	50.6
September	58.8	45.4	48.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	60.7	47.2	50.6
October	58.0	48.7	47.6	1.9	1.8	1.9	59.9	50.5	49.5
November	50.3	48.4	45.2	1.9	1.8	1.9	52.2	50.2	47.1
December	47.5	44.5	45.2	1.9	1.8	1.8	49.4	46.3	47.0
January	57.2	48.8	49.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	59.1	50.6	51.7
February	57.7	48.8	50.3	1.8	1.8	1.8	59.5	50.6	52.1
March	55.1	46.0		1.8	1.8		56.9	47.8	
April	48.0	44.6		1.9	1.8		49.9	46.4	
May	46.8	48.3		1.9	1.8		48.7	50.1	
June	46.0	48.3		1.9	1.8		47.9	50.1	

(a) Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded.

TABLE 3 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, DEFENCE FORCES AND TRAINEES : AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Thousands)

Month	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
July	2,137.6	2,129.8	2,137.8	774.3	781.5	795.0	2,911.9	2,911.3	2,932.8
August	2,136.4	2,125.5	2,135.9	773.3	781.9	795.0	2,909.7	2,907.4	2,930.9
September	2,134.7	2,125.5	2,137.4	775.4	784.3	796.0	2,910.1	2,909.8	2,933.4
October	2,134.1	2,129.8	2,141.0	779.8	787.9	797.4	2,913.9	2,917.7	2,938.4
November	2,135.9	2,128.6	2,146.5	785.6	794.6	802.2	2,921.5	2,923.2	2,948.7
December	2,127.7	2,123.9	2,142.1	783.6	793.4	803.4	2,911.3	2,917.3	2,945.5
January	2,133.7	2,133.1	2,149.0	778.3	791.2	800.4	2,912.0	2,924.3	2,949.4
February	2,143.5	2,137.2	2,160.2	786.8	799.1	809.4	2,930.3	2,936.3	2,969.6
March	2,142.9	2,138.2		789.1	801.9		2,932.0	2,940.1	
April	2,127.6	2,137.5		784.5	798.0		2,912.1	2,935.5	
May	2,131.7	2,142.2		784.3	796.6		2,916.0	2,938.8	
June	2,130.7	2,142.2		782.1	794.4		2,912.8	2,936.6	

TABLE 4 - TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
 (EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)
 (Thousands)

Month		Civilian Employees (excluding Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)									Defence Forces (b)
		Males			Females			Persons			
		Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	Governmental Bodies (a)	Private Employment	Total	
1939	July	349.8	943.3	1293.1	55.2	381.9	437.1	405.0	1325.2	1730.2	12.9
1942	June	420.9	888.6	1309.5	100.8	502.8	603.6	521.7	1391.4	1913.1	634.0
1943	June	413.3	859.9	1273.2	135.9	504.8	640.7	549.2	1364.7	1913.9	729.0
1944	June	404.5	871.1	1275.6	134.0	497.5	631.5	538.5	1368.6	1907.1	704.4
1945	June	400.2	896.1	1296.3	124.8	494.6	619.4	525.0	1390.7	1915.7	648.9
1946	June	435.0	1071.5	1506.5	94.0	502.0	596.0	529.0	1573.5	2102.5	143.4
1947	June	472.0	1177.4	1649.4	92.1	527.5	619.6	564.1	1704.9	2269.0	54.0
1948	June	494.0	1236.9	1730.9	94.9	549.1	644.0	588.9	1786.0	2374.9	39.3
1949	May (c)	518.9	1277.0	1795.9	99.2	568.0	667.2	618.1	1845.0	2463.1	33.6
1950	June	554.3	1323.1	1877.4	107.7	587.9	695.6	662.0	1911.0	2573.0	33.7
1951	June	571.2	1370.1	1941.3	113.9	614.8	728.7	685.1	1984.9	2670.0	44.3
1952	June (d)	578.4	1362.9	1941.3	115.3	572.1	687.4	693.7	1935.0	2628.7	69.4
1953	June	567.8	1354.2	1922.0	112.0	570.3	682.3	679.8	1924.5	2604.3	67.4
1954	June	581.4	1408.9	1990.3	114.5	605.2	719.7	695.9	2014.1	2710.0	62.1
1955	June	599.1	1450.4	2049.5	122.8	628.9	751.7	721.9	2079.3	2801.2	59.8
1956	June	604.9	1476.8	2081.7	129.8	643.3	773.1	734.7	2120.1	2854.8	59.3
1957	June	609.5	1475.2	2084.7	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2122.6	2864.9	47.9
1958	June	621.8	1472.1	2093.9	136.6	656.0	792.6	758.4	2128.1	2886.5	50.1
1957	January	602.1	1474.4	2076.5	128.1	648.3	776.4	730.2	2122.7	2852.9	59.1
	February	605.0	1480.8	2085.8	131.2	653.8	785.0	736.2	2134.6	2870.8	59.5
	March	605.2	1482.6	2087.8	131.4	655.9	787.3	736.6	2138.5	2875.1	56.9
	April	606.9	1472.7	2079.6	132.4	650.2	782.6	739.3	2122.9	2862.2	49.9
	May	609.2	1475.7	2084.9	132.6	649.8	782.4	741.8	2125.5	2867.3	48.7
	June	609.5	1475.2	2084.7	132.8	647.4	780.2	742.3	2122.6	2864.9	47.9
	July	609.6	1470.9	2080.5	133.7	646.0	779.7	743.3	2116.9	2860.2	51.1
	August	608.1	1468.3	2076.4	133.6	646.5	780.1	741.7	2114.8	2856.5	50.9
	September	607.9	1472.2	2080.1	133.2	649.3	782.5	741.1	2121.5	2862.6	47.2
	October	608.9	1472.2	2081.1	133.0	653.1	786.1	741.9	2125.3	2867.2	50.5
	November	608.0	1472.2	2080.2	133.1	659.7	792.8	741.1	2131.9	2873.0	50.2
	December	609.0	1470.4	2079.4	132.1	659.5	791.6	741.1	2129.9	2871.0	46.3
1958	January	611.9	1472.4	2084.3	132.7	656.7	789.4	744.6	2129.1	2873.7	50.6
	February	614.5	1473.9	2088.4	136.3	661.0	797.3	750.8	2134.9	2885.7	50.6
	March	616.4	1475.8	2092.2	136.7	663.4	800.1	753.1	2139.2	2892.3	47.8
	April	618.8	1474.1	2092.9	136.4	659.8	796.2	755.2	2133.9	2889.1	46.4
	May	620.8	1473.1	2093.9	136.3	658.5	794.8	757.1	2131.6	2888.7	50.1
	June	621.8	1472.1	2093.9	136.6	656.0	792.6	758.4	2128.1	2886.5	50.1
	July	621.7	1468.9	2090.6	137.7	655.5	793.2	759.4	2124.4	2883.8	49.0
	August	620.6	1466.5	2087.1	137.5	655.7	793.2	758.1	2122.2	2880.3	50.6
	September	620.7	1467.9	2088.6	137.6	656.6	794.2	758.3	2124.5	2882.8	50.6
	October	621.5	1471.9	2093.4	137.6	657.9	795.5	759.1	2129.8	2888.9	49.5
	November	622.8	1478.5	2101.3	137.8	662.5	800.3	760.6	2141.0	2901.6	47.1
	December	622.8	1474.1	2096.9	137.1	664.5	801.6	759.9	2138.6	2898.5	47.0
1959	January	*627.1	*1472.1	2099.2	138.6	659.9	798.5	*765.7	*2132.0	2897.7	51.7
	February	630.9	1479.0	2109.9	142.0	665.6	807.6	772.9	2144.6	2917.5	52.1

(a) Includes all employees of Governmental Bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post office, air transport, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees, within Australia.

(b) Includes members of Permanent and Oversea Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. Non-enlisted personnel are included to June, 1956. Rural workers and students in camp undergoing National Service Training are excluded. (c) Figures for May, 1949 have been used for purposes of annual comparison because of the effects of the coal dispute in June, 1949. (d) See Preface on page 1 hereof as to effects of fluctuations in numbers of Defence Forces and Trainees since August, 1951. * Revised.

TABLE 5 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)
(Thousands)

State or Territory	June, 1954	June, 1955	June, 1956	June, 1957	June, 1958	Jan., 1958	Feb., 1958	Jan., 1959	Feb., 1959
MALES									
New South Wales	771.3	794.2	808.5	810.1	812.4	812.3	814.4	814.2	815.4
Victoria	556.8	576.2	583.2	585.8	592.6	591.0	592.0	598.3	602.5
Queensland	269.6	278.2	282.4	283.6	282.3	273.8	275.7	277.6	281.3
South Australia	176.8	180.8	187.9	186.4	186.2	186.5	186.0	187.8	189.1
Western Australia	139.1	141.5	140.5	138.4	138.6	139.0	138.7	139.3	139.2
Tasmania	63.6	65.1	65.7	66.0	66.7	66.8	66.7	66.7	67.1
Northern Territory	4.9	4.8	5.0	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5
Aust. Cap. Terr.	8.2	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.8	9.8
Australia:	1990.3	2049.5	2081.7	2084.7	2093.9	2084.3	2088.4	2099.2	2109.9
FEMALES									
New South Wales	284.3	297.4	305.9	309.3	315.2	314.6	316.4	316.5	318.4
Victoria	222.1	232.4	238.5	240.8	243.7	243.0	246.9	245.8	251.3
Queensland	88.6	92.1	93.7	96.0	96.1	95.0	96.6	96.6	98.1
South Australia	56.6	59.8	62.5	62.3	63.6	64.0	64.0	65.0	65.1
Western Australia	43.4	44.3	45.1	44.5	45.8	45.3	45.7	46.5	46.7
Tasmania	21.2	21.8	23.2	22.9	23.6	22.9	23.1	23.3	23.1
Northern Territory	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3
Aust. Cap. Terr.	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.6
Australia:	719.7	751.7	773.1	780.2	792.6	789.4	797.3	798.5	807.6
PERSONS									
New South Wales	1055.6	1091.6	1114.4	1119.4	1127.6	1126.9	1130.8	1130.7	1133.8
Victoria	778.9	808.6	821.7	826.6	836.3	834.0	838.9	844.1	853.8
Queensland	358.2	370.3	376.1	379.6	378.4	368.8	372.3	374.2	379.4
South Australia	233.4	240.6	250.4	248.7	249.8	250.5	250.0	252.8	254.2
Western Australia	182.5	185.8	185.6	182.9	184.4	184.3	184.4	185.8	185.9
Tasmania	84.8	86.9	88.9	88.9	90.3	89.7	89.8	90.0	90.2
Northern Territory	5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.8	6.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10.8	11.6	11.6	12.1	13.1	12.9	12.9	13.3	13.4
Australia:	2710.0	2801.2	2854.8	2864.9	2886.5	2873.7	2885.7	2897.7	2917.5

TABLE 6 - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, FEBRUARY, 1959.

STATES AND TERRITORIES

(Thousands)

State or Territory	Commonwealth (a)						State and Semi-Govt. (a)		Local Govt. (a)		Total Governmental (a)		
	Defence Group		Other		Total								
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	P
New South Wales	9.4	1.2	49.6	14.3	59.0	15.5	135.9	29.1	27.4	3.2	222.3	47.8	270.1
Victoria	14.5	3.9	38.3	11.4	52.8	15.3	102.7	27.8	13.7	2.1	169.2	45.2	214.4
Queensland	1.2	0.2	17.2	4.7	18.4	4.9	55.5	8.2	18.3	1.0	92.2	14.1	106.3
South Australia	3.8	0.7	13.5	3.1	17.3	3.8	39.9	11.2	3.4	0.3	60.6	15.3	75.9
Western Australia	0.6	0.1	9.0	2.2	9.6	2.3	40.3	7.5	3.6	0.4	53.5	10.2	63.7
Tasmania	0.2	-	4.7	1.4	4.9	1.4	15.1	4.2	2.3	0.2	22.3	5.8	28.1
Northern Territory	0.1	-	2.8	0.8	2.9	0.8	-	-	0.1	-	3.0	0.8	3.8
Aust. Cap. Terr.	0.1	0.1	7.7	2.7	7.8	2.8	-	-	-	-	7.8	2.8	10.6
<u>Total : February, 1959</u>	29.9	6.2	142.8	40.6	172.7	46.8	389.4	88.0	68.8	7.2	630.9	142.0	772.9
<u>Total : January, 1959</u>	29.8	6.2	*142.9	40.0	*172.7	46.2	386.0	85.4	68.4	7.0	*627.1	138.6	*765.7

(a) See note (a) to Table 4 on previous page. * Revised.

II. EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

TABLE 7 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

STATES - FEBRUARY, 1959.

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestics)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (f)
MALES							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.0	5.5	5.4	1.8	2.3	2.3	25.6
Mining and Quarrying	23.3	4.6	9.3	1.6	7.5	2.7	49.6
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	325.0	251.6	80.0	74.2	38.5	21.6	790.9
Other (b)	28.5	19.8	10.8	2.9	2.6	0.9	66.8
Total Manufacturing:	353.5	271.4	90.8	77.1	41.1	22.5	857.7
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	68.3	51.2	36.7	19.6	14.2	9.4	202.9
Road Transport	36.7	22.2	14.8	7.2	4.7	2.5	88.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	15.9	10.6	8.3	5.7	5.4	2.4	48.4
Rail and Air Transport	37.1	22.6	21.7	9.3	10.5	2.5	104.0
Communication	27.3	19.9	9.9	6.4	4.9	2.3	71.2
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	26.9	20.8	8.8	5.8	4.1	1.6	68.1
Retail Trade	52.0	39.6	15.5	12.4	10.1	3.5	133.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	52.3	45.7	22.0	15.4	13.9	4.6	154.2
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	38.3	29.6	12.0	8.5	7.7	3.9	105.0
Other Industries (g)	75.8	58.8	26.1	18.3	12.8	6.9	201.0
TOTAL MALES:	815.4	602.5	281.3	189.1	139.2	67.1	2109.9
FEMALES							
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	105.7	96.6	17.8	16.2	6.4	5.0	247.7
Other (b)	1.3	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	-	7.8
Total Manufacturing:	107.0	99.0	20.7	16.3	7.3	5.0	255.5
Rail and Air Transport	3.7	2.0	1.2	0.7	0.4	0.1	8.2
Other Transport (incl. Shipping, etc.)	4.6	3.9	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.3	12.3
Communication	7.5	5.7	2.8	1.9	1.0	1.0	20.0
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	21.1	13.9	5.2	3.8	2.5	1.1	47.7
Retail Trade	46.2	35.3	16.8	12.5	10.7	4.0	125.8
Wholesale and Other Commerce	18.2	13.3	7.1	4.0	3.3	1.0	47.1
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	11.4	7.7	4.5	1.9	2.1	1.1	30.5
Other Industries (g)	98.7	70.5	37.9	23.0	18.9	9.5	260.5
TOTAL FEMALES:	318.4	251.3	98.1	65.1	46.7	23.1	807.6
PERSONS							
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	8.1	5.6	5.4	1.8	2.3	2.3	25.8
Mining and Quarrying	23.6	4.7	9.6	1.7	7.7	2.8	50.7
Manufacturing, etc. - Factories (a)	430.7	348.2	97.8	90.4	44.9	26.6	1038.6
Other (b)	29.8	22.2	13.7	3.0	3.5	0.9	74.6
Total Manufacturing:	460.5	370.4	111.5	93.4	48.4	27.5	1113.2
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)	70.7	52.7	37.4	20.1	14.5	9.5	208.4
Road Transport	40.2	25.5	16.4	8.0	5.0	2.7	98.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	17.0	11.2	8.6	5.9	5.6	2.5	51.0
Rail and Air Transport	40.8	24.6	22.9	10.0	10.9	2.6	112.2
Communication	34.8	25.6	12.7	8.3	5.9	3.3	91.2
Property and Finance (incl. Banks, etc.)	48.0	34.7	14.0	9.6	6.6	2.7	115.8
Retail Trade	98.2	74.9	32.3	24.9	20.8	7.5	259.4
Wholesale and Other Commerce	70.5	59.0	29.1	19.4	17.2	5.6	201.3
Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.	49.7	37.3	16.5	10.4	9.8	5.0	135.5
Other Industries (g)	171.7	127.6	63.0	40.7	31.2	16.2	454.7
TOTAL PERSONS:	1133.8	853.8	379.4	254.2	185.9	90.2	2917.5

For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS

AUSTRALIA

(EXCLUDING Wage Earners in Rural Industry and Female Private Domestic)

(Personnel in Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in Camp are also excluded)

(Thousands)

Industrial Group	Jan., 1958	Feb., 1958	Nov., 1958	Dec., 1958	Jan., 1959	Feb., 1959
MALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.5	25.5	25.2	25.3	25.4	25.6
<u>Mining and Quarrying -</u>						
Gold	7.1	7.1	6.9	7.0	7.0	6.9
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.6	9.5	9.2	9.2	9.0	9.1
Coal	24.4	24.4	22.8	22.8	22.1	22.0
Other (including Quarries)	12.2	12.0	11.7	11.6	11.6	11.6
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	53.3	53.0	50.6	50.6	49.7	49.6
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	784.2	787.1	790.8	784.0	786.0	790.9
Other (b)	65.0	65.2	66.1	66.1	66.6	66.8
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	849.2	852.3	856.9	850.1	852.6	857.7
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -</u>						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	84.9	84.3	82.5	81.7	82.6	83.1
Other (d)	113.6	114.7	118.2	117.5	118.2	119.8
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	198.5	199.0	200.7	199.2	200.8	202.9
<u>Transport and Communication -</u>						
Road Transport	86.7	87.1	88.3	88.1	88.1	88.6
Shipping and Stevedoring	49.1	48.4	48.6	48.3	48.7	48.4
Rail and Air Transport	104.2	104.1	103.8	103.7	103.4	104.0
Communication	70.2	69.7	69.8	69.6	71.5	71.2
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	310.2	309.3	310.5	309.7	311.7	312.2
<u>Property and Finance, (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	65.0	65.7	66.1	66.4	67.3	68.1
<u>Commerce -</u>						
Wholesale Trade	126.1	126.7	126.8	126.9	127.8	128.5
Primary Produce Agencies	25.9	25.4	26.9	26.8	26.3	25.7
Retail Trade	133.1	133.2	135.6	138.9	133.8	133.6
<u>Total Commerce</u>	285.1	285.3	289.3	292.6	287.9	287.8
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	103.1	103.2	104.4	104.6	105.0	105.0
<u>Other -</u>						
Law and Order	22.6	22.7	23.2	23.2	23.2	23.3
Religion and Social Welfare	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4	11.4
Health Services	26.9	27.0	27.8	27.8	27.8	28.0
Education	42.9	44.2	45.4	45.2	45.7	47.8
Other Professional	14.8	14.9	14.7	14.8	15.1	15.5
Amusement, Sport	19.5	19.2	19.4	19.4	19.5	19.4
Personal Service (e)	56.3	55.7	55.7	56.6	56.1	55.6
<u>Total Other</u>	194.4	195.1	197.6	198.4	198.8	201.0
<u>TOTAL:</u>	2084.3	2088.4	2101.3	2096.9	2099.2	2109.9
FEMALES						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<u>Mining and Quarrying</u>	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
<u>Manufacturing, etc. -</u>						
Factories (a)	245.4	249.6	244.0	242.2	242.8	247.7
Other (b)	7.6	7.6	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.8
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	253.0	257.2	251.7	249.9	250.5	255.5
<u>Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.)</u>	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
<u>Transport and Communication -</u>						
Road Transport	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Rail and Air Transport	8.2	8.2	8.1	8.2	8.2	8.2
Communication	20.0	20.1	19.7	19.7	19.8	20.0
<u>Total Transport and Communication:</u>	40.2	40.3	40.0	40.1	40.3	40.5

For notes see page 8.

TABLE 8 - WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS
AUSTRALIA (Continued)
(Thousands)

Industrial Group	Jan., 1958	Feb., 1958	Nov., 1958	Dec., 1958	Jan., 1959	Feb., 1959
FEMALES (Continued)						
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	44.7	45.4	45.4	45.5	46.8	47.7
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	40.8	41.1	41.0	40.9	40.9	41.2
Primary Produce Agencies	6.2	6.3	6.0	5.9	6.0	5.9
Retail Trade	125.5	124.6	130.5	133.3	126.8	125.8
<u>Total Commerce</u>	172.5	172.0	177.5	180.1	173.7	172.9
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	29.6	29.7	30.2	30.2	30.3	30.5
Other -						
Law and Order	10.2	10.3	10.8	10.8	10.8	10.8
Religion and Social Welfare	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
Health Services	80.4	81.3	83.4	83.6	84.5	85.2
Education	52.6	55.5	56.7	55.9	56.3	59.7
Other Professional	10.5	10.5	10.8	10.6	10.6	10.6
Amusement, Sport	9.5	9.2	9.1	9.1	9.3	9.2
Personal Service (e)	70.5	70.1	68.9	70.0	69.6	69.2
<u>Total Other</u>	242.7	245.9	248.7	249.0	250.1	253.7
<u>TOTAL:</u>	789.4	797.3	800.3	801.6	798.5	807.6
PERSONS						
<u>Forestry, Fishing and Trapping</u>	25.7	25.7	25.4	25.5	25.6	25.8
Mining and Quarrying -						
Gold	7.2	7.2	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.1
Silver, Lead, Zinc	9.9	9.9	9.4	9.4	9.2	9.3
Coal	14.6	24.6	23.0	23.0	22.3	22.2
Other (including Quarries)	12.7	12.5	12.2	12.1	12.1	12.1
<u>Total Mining and Quarrying</u>	54.4	54.2	51.7	51.7	50.8	50.7
Manufacturing, etc. -						
Factories (a)	1029.6	1036.7	1034.8	1026.2	1028.8	1038.6
Other (b)	72.6	72.8	73.8	73.8	74.3	74.6
<u>Total Manufacturing</u>	1102.2	1109.5	1108.6	1100.0	1103.1	1113.2
Building and Construction (including repairs, etc.) -						
Building (Privately employed) (c)	87.8	87.2	85.4	84.6	85.5	86.0
Other (d)	116.1	117.2	120.8	120.1	120.8	122.4
<u>Total Building and Construction</u>	203.9	204.4	206.2	204.7	206.3	208.4
Transport and Communication -						
Road Transport	96.1	96.6	97.9	97.7	97.8	98.3
Shipping and Stevedoring	51.7	50.9	51.2	50.9	51.3	51.0
Rail and Air Transport	112.4	112.3	111.9	111.9	111.6	112.2
Communication	90.2	89.8	89.5	89.3	91.3	91.2
<u>Total Transport and Communication</u>	350.4	349.6	350.5	349.8	352.0	352.7
<u>Property and Finance (including Banks and Insurance)</u>	109.7	111.1	111.5	111.9	114.1	115.8
Commerce -						
Wholesale Trade	166.9	167.8	167.8	167.8	168.7	169.7
Primary Produce Agencies	32.1	31.7	32.9	32.7	32.3	31.6
Retail Trade	258.6	257.8	266.1	272.2	260.6	259.4
<u>Total Commerce</u>	457.6	457.3	466.8	472.7	461.6	460.7
<u>Public Authority Activity, n.e.i.</u>	132.7	132.9	134.6	134.8	135.3	135.5
Other -						
Law and Order	32.8	33.0	34.0	34.0	34.0	34.1
Religion and Social Welfare	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4	20.4
Health Services	107.3	108.3	111.2	111.4	112.3	113.2
Education	95.5	99.7	102.1	101.1	102.0	107.5
Other Professional	25.3	25.4	25.5	25.4	25.7	26.1
Amusement, Sport	29.0	28.4	28.5	28.5	28.8	28.6
Personal Service (e)	126.8	125.8	124.6	126.6	125.7	124.8
<u>Total Other</u>	437.1	441.0	446.3	447.4	448.9	454.7
<u>TOTAL:</u>	2873.7	2885.7	2901.6	2898.5	2897.7	2917.5

For notes see page 8.

NOTES TO TABLES 7 AND 8

- (a) Refers to estimated employment in factories as defined for the purpose of the annual production census, results of which are published in the annual bulletin, Secondary Industries. In this connexion, a factory is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more persons are employed, or in which power, other than manual, is used. The employees covered are those engaged in manufacturing activities and exclude those engaged in selling and distribution, etc. The number of employees in factories as from Bulletin No. 195, February, 1958, represents the actual monthly employment in factories as recorded at successive annual Censuses of Factories to June, 1957, with interim estimates for subsequent months.
- (b) Includes employees in industrial establishments outside the scope of the definition of a factory (given in (a) above) and persons employed by factory proprietors but engaged in selling and distribution, etc., who are excluded from figures shown opposite "Factories".
- (c) Includes persons employed on private building, and employees of private employers contracting to public bodies, on building construction, alterations, maintenance and repairs.
- (d) Includes employees on construction of roads, bridges, earthworks, etc., and employees directly employed by public bodies on building and maintenance of buildings.
- (e) Includes Hotels, Restaurants, Hairdressing and Other Personal Services (except female private domestics).
- (f) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
- (g) Includes Law and Order, Religion and Social Welfare, Health, Education, Other Professional Services, Amusement, etc., and Personal Service (Hotels, Restaurants, etc., excluding female private domestics). In respect of females only, also includes Forestry, Fishing, etc., Mining, Building and Construction.

III. EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

By joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician, a regular monthly survey of employment in the larger privately-owned factories of New South Wales and Victoria was instituted in January, 1952. Practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large section of those with between 50 and 100 employees were surveyed.

The instruction as to employees to be included in the returns was as follows:- "The number of persons employed is to include all persons on the establishment of the factory who are engaged in the factory or on the factory office staff, providing their employment is directly related to manufacture", and further "..... the number of males and females (separately) employed in the specified factory or mill. These figures are to include factory office staff, but are to exclude selling and distribution staff". The figures obtained relate to the numbers on the pay-roll as at the last pay-day in the month.

The survey was instituted to provide an earlier indication of trend of private factory employment, month by month, than is available from any other source, and in fact the trends shown in employment in these larger private factories are broadly consonant with those shown in estimates of total private factory employment, derived from Pay-roll Tax Returns, for the periods for which comparisons are available.

Employment in food-processing factories is subject to considerable seasonal variation. In view of this circumstance, the movements in "all factories excluding food factories" are given equal prominence in the tables with those in "all factories surveyed".

The survey was extended to cover all States with effect from January, 1953. In Bulletins up to and including No. 152, totals were given for the original two States, for the three remaining mainland States and for the five mainland States together. The figures now shown in Tables 9 to 12 relate to all six States.

An industrial analysis, showing movements in each of eight broad groups, is given in Table 13. In continuation of the earlier practice, this table is confined to the five mainland States. At the present stage, figures for Tasmania cannot be incorporated into this table in the same detail because of the risk of disclosure of individual factory particulars.

TABLE 9 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 : February	401,189	127,711	528,900	+ 0.6	+ 1.7	+ 0.8
March	402,476	128,506	530,982	+ 0.3	+ 0.6	+ 0.4
April	401,499	125,137	526,636	- 0.2	- 2.6	- 0.8
May	402,209	124,004	526,213	+ 0.2	- 0.9	- 0.1
June	403,647	123,455	527,102	+ 0.4	- 0.4	+ 0.2
July	402,911	122,814	525,725	- 0.2	- 0.5	- 0.3
August	401,674	122,229	523,903	- 0.3	- 0.5	- 0.3
September	401,876	121,792	523,668	+ 0.1	- 0.4	-
October	403,178	121,781	524,959	+ 0.3	-	+ 0.2
November	404,621	122,051	526,672	+ 0.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
December	402,066	121,949	524,015	- 0.6	- 0.1	- 0.5
1959 : January	★400,250	★122,110	★522,360	- 0.5	+ 0.1	- 0.3
February	★403,476	★124,881	★528,357	★ + 0.8	+ 2.3	★ + 1.1
March	404,731	124,981	529,712	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.3

(a) As the number of reporting factories in the collection varies from year to year, the figures in Tables 9 to 13 are not comparable with those published in Bulletins prior to No.205, December, 1958. The figures now published for 1958 have been adjusted to make them comparable with those obtained from the 1959 collection.

★ Revised.

TABLE 10 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed					Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959			Jan., '59-	Feb., '59-
	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb., '59	Mar., '59

MALES

New South Wales	166,730	167,164	167,100	167,728	167,987	+ 0.4	+ 0.2
Victoria	122,810	123,100	123,098	124,607	124,938	+ 1.2	+ 0.3
Queensland	37,672	38,228	35,974	37,628	38,067	+ 4.6	+ 1.2
South Australia	41,865	41,867	41,939	★41,875	42,120	★ - 0.2	+ 0.6
Western Australia	17,721	17,741	17,206	17,294	17,308	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
Tasmania	14,391	14,376	★14,933	★14,344	14,311	★ - 3.9	- 0.2
TOTAL:	401,189	402,476	★400,250	★403,476	404,731	★ + 0.8	+ 0.3

FEMALES

New South Wales	51,760	52,068	50,350	51,005	50,959	+ 1.3	- 0.1
Victoria	49,480	49,853	46,131	48,682	48,903	+ 5.5	+ 0.5
Queensland	8,514	8,568	8,102	8,594	8,322	+ 6.1	- 3.2
South Australia	10,303	10,292	9,633	★ 9,184	9,308	★ - 4.7	+ 1.4
Western Australia	3,507	3,525	3,552	3,511	3,484	- 1.2	- 0.8
Tasmania	4,147	4,200	★ 4,342	★ 3,905	4,005	★ -10.1	+ 2.6
TOTAL:	127,711	128,506	★122,110	★124,881	124,981	+ 2.3	+ 0.1

PERSONS

New South Wales	218,490	219,232	217,450	218,733	218,946	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
Victoria	172,290	172,953	169,229	173,289	173,841	+ 2.4	+ 0.3
Queensland	46,186	46,796	44,076	46,222	46,389	+ 4.9	+ 0.4
South Australia	52,168	52,159	51,572	★51,059	51,428	★ - 1.0	+ 0.7
Western Australia	21,228	21,266	20,758	20,805	20,792	+ 0.2	- 0.1
Tasmania	18,538	18,576	★19,275	★18,249	18,316	★ - 5.3	+ 0.4
TOTAL:	528,900	530,982	★522,360	★528,357	529,712	★ + 1.1	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9. ★ Revised.

TABLE 11 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, (a) EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

SIX STATES

Period (End of Month)	Employment in all Factories surveyed, except Food Factories			Percentage movement since previous month		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1958 : February	348,732	106,940	455,672	+ 0.4	+ 0.9	+ 0.5
March	349,999	107,760	457,759	+ 0.4	+ 0.8	+ 0.5
April	350,214	107,908	458,122	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
May	349,777	107,442	457,219	- 0.1	- 0.4	- 0.2
June	349,645	107,057	456,702	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
July	348,125	106,694	454,819	- 0.4	- 0.3	- 0.4
August	347,031	106,484	453,515	- 0.3	- 0.2	- 0.3
September	346,857	106,329	453,186	- 0.1	- 0.1	- 0.1
October	346,877	105,902	452,779	-	- 0.4	- 0.1
November	347,599	105,630	453,229	+ 0.2	- 0.3	+ 0.1
December	347,824	105,365	453,189	+ 0.1	- 0.3	-
1959 : January	348,161	104,723	452,884	+ 0.1	- 0.6	- 0.1
February	★349,705	★105,579	★455,284	★ + 0.4	+ 0.8	★ + 0.5
March	350,674	105,917	456,591	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9. ★ Revised.

TABLE 12 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES, (a) EXCLUDING FOOD FACTORIES

STATES

State	Employment in all Factories surveyed, excluding Food Factories					Percentage movement in employment	
	1958		1959			Jan., '59-	Feb., '59-
	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb., '59	Mar., '59

MALES

New South Wales	151,638	152,259	151,606	152,138	152,237	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
Victoria	106,592	107,220	107,378	108,240	108,927	+ 0.8	+ 0.6
Queensland	25,713	25,698	24,581	24,761	24,633	+ 0.7	- 0.5
South Australia	37,551	37,521	37,945	★37,827	38,056	★ - 0.3	+ 0.6
Western Australia	15,340	15,362	14,692	14,809	14,835	+ 0.8	+ 0.2
Tasmania	11,898	11,939	11,959	11,930	11,986	- 0.2	+ 0.5
TOTAL:	348,732	349,999	348,161	★349,705	350,674	★ + 0.4	+ 0.3

FEMALES

New South Wales	44,944	45,400	44,110	44,599	44,521	+ 1.1	- 0.2
Victoria	41,837	42,205	40,776	41,402	41,708	+ 1.5	+ 0.7
Queensland	6,582	6,595	6,566	6,647	6,610	+ 1.2	- 0.6
South Australia	7,982	7,944	7,752	★7,507	7,637	★ - 3.2	+ 1.7
Western Australia	2,628	2,648	2,670	2,650	2,640	- 0.7	- 0.4
Tasmania	2,967	2,968	2,849	2,774	2,801	- 2.6	+ 1.0
TOTAL:	106,940	107,760	104,723	★105,579	105,917	+ 0.8	+ 0.3

PERSONS

New South Wales	196,582	197,659	195,716	196,737	196,758	+ 0.5	-
Victoria	148,429	149,425	148,154	149,642	150,635	+ 1.0	+ 0.7
Queensland	32,295	32,293	31,147	31,408	31,243	+ 0.8	- 0.5
South Australia	45,533	45,465	45,697	★45,334	45,693	★ - 0.8	+ 0.8
Western Australia	17,968	18,010	17,362	17,459	17,475	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
Tasmania	14,865	14,907	14,808	14,704	14,787	- 0.7	+ 0.6
TOTAL:	455,672	457,759	452,884	★455,284	456,591	★ + 0.5	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9. ★ Revised.

TABLE 13 - EMPLOYMENT IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES (a) : FIVE MAINLAND STATES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPING

Industrial Group	Employment in Factories surveyed (5 States)				Percentage move- ment in employment	
	March, 1958	January, 1959	February, 1959	March, 1959	Jan., '59- Feb., '59	Feb., '59 - Mar., '59
MALES						
1. Building Materials	36,158	36,339	36,452	36,360	+ 0.3	- 0.3
2. Basic Metals	44,063	44,646	44,659	44,704	-	+ 0.1
3. Transportation Equipment	60,103	58,202	*58,688	59,474	* + 0.8	+ 1.3
4. Other Metal Manufactures	91,261	91,769	92,067	92,085	+ 0.3	-
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	21,993	21,543	21,936	22,100	+ 1.8	+ 0.7
6. Clothing and Textiles	33,121	32,405	32,721	32,751	+ 1.0	+ 0.1
7. Food	50,040	49,115	51,357	51,732	+ 4.6	+ 0.7
8. All Other	51,361	51,298	51,252	51,214	- 0.1	- 0.1
Total - All Groups	388,100	385,317	*389,132	390,420	+ 1.0	+ 0.3
Total - Excluding Food	338,060	336,202	*337,775	338,688	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
FEMALES						
1. Building Materials	3,220	3,185	3,171	3,126	- 0.4	- 1.4
2. Basic Metals	2,540	2,696	2,722	2,733	+ 1.0	+ 0.4
3. Transportation Equipment	5,618	5,494	*5,609	5,701	* + 2.1	+ 1.6
4. Other Metal Manufactures	22,643	22,247	22,163	22,403	- 0.4	+ 1.1
5. Chemicals & Allied Products	4,829	4,834	4,872	4,891	+ 0.8	+ 0.4
6. Clothing and Textiles	52,440	50,361	51,241	51,125	+ 1.7	- 0.2
7. Food	19,514	15,894	18,171	17,860	+14.3	- 1.7
8. All Other	13,502	13,057	13,027	13,137	- 0.2	+ 0.8
Total - All Groups	124,306	117,768	*120,976	120,976	+ 2.7	-
Total - Excluding Food	104,792	101,874	*102,805	103,116	+ 0.9	+ 0.3

(a) See note to Table 9. * Revised.

IV. WAGES AND HOURS OF LABOUR

TABLE 14 - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

Index Numbers (Base 1945-46 = 1,000)
Revised Series (Seasonally Adjusted)

Year	Index Numbers		Quarter	Index Numbers	
	All Industries (b)	Manufacturing		All Industries (b)	Manufacturing
1945-46	1,000	1,000	1955 - Sept. Qtr.	2,811	2,809
1946-47	1,037	1,056	Dec. "	2,851	2,853
1947-48	1,212	1,206	1956 - March "	2,866	2,862
1948-49	1,374	1,365	June "	2,922	2,901
1949-50	1,513	1,505	Sept. "	2,977	2,945
1950-51	1,816	1,809	Dec. "	3,021	2,973
1951-52	2,221	2,219	1957 - March "	3,018	2,962
1952-53	2,428	2,394	June "	3,035	2,995
1953-54	2,553	2,511	Sept. "	3,086	3,026
1954-55	2,682	2,685	Dec. "	3,104	3,066
1955-56	2,863	2,856	1958 - March "	3,092	3,075
1956-57	3,013	2,969	June "	3,100	3,089
1957-58	3,096	3,064	Sept. "	3,177	3,148
			Dec. "	3,203	(c) 3,152

(a) Includes salaries. (b) Average earnings per male unit employed. Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. (c) Subject to revision.

NOTE:- The index numbers for "All Industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.

The "All Industries" index is based on Pay-roll Tax Returns and other data. The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1945-46 to 1957-58 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual factory returns. The figures subsequent to June, 1958 are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.

For revised figures from September Quarter, 1947, See Bulletin No. 203, October, 1958.

TABLE 15 - AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. The figures are not seasonally adjusted. A seasonally adjusted quarterly index of average weekly wage earnings is shown in Table 14.

Period	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID (£'000)							
1951-52	14,778	10,171	4,391	3,051	2,231	1,075	35,697
1952-53	15,422	10,816	4,868	3,357	2,492	1,199	38,154
1953-54	16,480	11,767	5,227	3,615	2,754	1,305	41,148
1954-55	17,970	12,901	5,601	3,940	2,928	1,399	44,739
1955-56	19,764	14,144	6,033	4,330	3,104	1,521	48,896
1956-57	20,923	14,913	6,466	4,499	3,174	1,631	51,606
1957-58	21,620	15,487	6,582	4,622	3,282	1,661	53,254
1955-56 - June Quarter	20,289	14,835	6,204	4,496	3,128	1,650	50,602
1956-57 - September Quarter	20,343	14,633	6,408	4,471	3,206	1,556	50,617
December "	21,883	15,467	6,886	4,602	3,191	1,644	53,673
March "	20,124	14,269	6,048	4,335	3,086	1,615	49,477
June "	21,342	15,285	6,520	4,586	3,213	1,710	52,656
1957-58 - September Quarter	21,236	15,149	6,594	4,607	3,317	1,569	52,472
December "	22,696	16,235	6,895	4,756	3,353	1,662	55,597
March "	20,598	14,755	6,086	4,465	3,111	1,641	50,656
June "	21,949	15,808	6,755	4,659	3,345	1,772	54,288
1958-59 - September Quarter	22,133	15,890	7,002	4,753	3,404	1,647	54,829
December "	*23,605	17,031	7,417	4,961	3,507	1,795	*58,316
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (£) (c)							
1951-52	14.74	14.48	12.60	13.63	13.32	13.29	14.13
1952-53	15.96	15.71	14.17	15.17	14.69	14.80	15.45
1953-54	16.69	16.64	14.98	15.87	15.59	15.78	16.26
1954-55	17.64	17.59	15.58	16.83	16.11	16.54	17.13
1955-56	18.92	18.78	16.49	17.88	16.92	17.75	18.28
1956-57	19.88	19.69	17.47	18.27	17.47	18.76	19.15
1957-58	20.44	20.21	17.91	18.67	18.04	18.93	19.66
1955-56 - June Quarter	19.32	19.61	16.92	18.24	16.99	18.85	18.80
1956-57 - September Quarter	19.42	19.44	17.20	18.25	17.64	18.09	18.85
December "	20.75	20.44	18.50	18.82	17.57	19.06	19.91
March "	19.08	18.78	16.49	17.51	16.97	18.39	18.33
June "	20.28	20.10	17.66	18.49	17.69	19.48	19.51
1957-58 - September Quarter	20.18	19.96	17.80	18.65	18.34	18.19	19.46
December "	21.44	21.27	18.93	19.25	18.44	19.20	20.58
March "	19.43	19.14	16.73	18.00	17.08	18.56	18.67
June "	20.69	20.49	18.20	18.78	18.28	19.78	19.93
1958-59 - September Quarter	20.91	20.67	18.67	19.16	18.65	18.71	20.15
December "	*22.20	22.02	19.89	19.88	19.11	20.38	*21.35

(a) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes the Northern Territory.

(c) Total wages as above divided by total civilian employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above. * Revised.

NOTE:- Comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. Quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences.

For revised figures from September Quarter, 1947, see Bulletin No. 203, October, 1958.

TABLE 16 - AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES

INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following tables are based on averages of wage rates for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each industrial group in each State is the arithmetical average of the rates of wage payable for specified occupations within that group. The figures for "All Groups" for each State and for each industrial group for Australia are weighted averages.

The base of each index number is the weighted average weekly wage for Australia of all industrial groups for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Industrial Group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
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31ST DECEMBER, 1958

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	369	351	349	346	362	358	358
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	353	342	372	339	363	360	351
III. Food, Drink, etc.	359	360	338	357	354	366	355
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	346	349	358	358	363	344	350
V. Books, Printing, etc.	406	394	401	383	439	402	401
VI. Other Manufacturing	360	346	338	347	352	361	352
VII. Building	401	398	380	367	386	378	393
VIII. Mining (c)	368	356	354	338	379	353	363
IX. Rail and Tram Services	375	360	362	345	361	386	365
X. Other Land Transport	357	333	331	327	351	344	343
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	378	381	378	378	379	380	379
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	429	385	380	382	393	406	402
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	342	333	314	313	328	326	332
XIV. Miscellaneous	353	343	331	327	342	342	344
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	376	359	355	351	366	370	366

31ST MARCH, 1959

I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	371	352	353	346	364	358	360
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	354	343	377	339	363	360	352
III. Food, Drink, etc.	361	361	342	358	354	368	357
IV. Clothing, Textiles, etc.	347	349	358	358	363	344	350
V. Books, Printing, etc.	407	394	403	383	439	402	402
VI. Other Manufacturing	361	346	341	347	352	361	352
VII. Building	403	398	384	367	386	378	394
VIII. Mining (c)	368	356	356	338	379	353	364
IX. Rail and Tram Services	377	360	367	345	361	386	367
X. Other Land Transport	359	339	336	334	351	353	347
XI. Shipping, etc. (d)	379	381	378	378	379	380	379
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.	431	385	384	382	393	406	403
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	343	333	319	313	328	326	333
XIV. Miscellaneous	355	343	336	328	342	343	345
<u>All Groups (b)</u>	378	359	359	352	367	370	367

(a) The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average. (c) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are those prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State and exclude district allowances in the gold mining industry. (d) Average rates of wage on which index numbers are based are for occupations other than master, officers and engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

TABLE 17 - AVERAGE NOMINAL HOURLY WAGE RATE INDEX NUMBERS : ADULT MALES, STATES (a)

The index numbers in the following table are based on average wage rates and hours of labour for a full week's work obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The average rate of wage for each State is the weighted average of the wage rates for each industrial group in the State. The average rate of wage for Australia is the weighted average of the wage rates for each State.

The base of each index number is the weighted average hourly wage for Australia for the three years ended 30th June, 1939 = 100.

Date	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.(b)
31st December, 1938	109	98	109	92	111	94	104
" " 1949	206	204	196	197	208	198	203
" " 1950	248	244	228	234	250	239	243
" " 1951	300	290	268	279	300	287	291
" " 1952	338	327	308	322	342	326	329
" " 1953	346	336	316	327	352	341	338
" " 1954	349	340	325	332	353	345	342
" " 1955	365	355	334	337	370	350	355
" " 1956	388	372	356	349	385	369	375
31st March, 1958	389	380	362	363	391	378	381
30th June, 1958	395	383	367	370	391	383	385
30th September, 1958	395	384	374	370	395	385	387
31st December, 1958	395	384	377	370	397	385	387
31st March, 1959	397	384	381	371	397	386	389

(a) Weighted average hourly rates of wage for all industrial groups except Groups XI (Shipping, etc.) and XII (Pastoral, Agricultural, etc.). The figures of nominal wages are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. (b) Weighted average.

V. UNEMPLOYMENT

TABLE 18 - NUMBER OF PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a) : STATES

NOTE:- The figures in this table are as furnished by the Department of Social Services.

Month	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia		
							Males	Females	Persons
1951 June	246	32	263	3	50	10	457	147	604
1952 June	4,613	1,133	2,055	153	236	104	6,108	2,186	8,294
1953 June	14,629	5,939	3,677	655	691	323	21,552	4,362	25,914
1954 June	2,810	1,203	1,657	79	225	109	4,360	1,723	6,083
1955 June	1,042	319	964	70	239	45	1,670	1,009	2,679
1956 June	2,325	1,412	1,270	319	1,606	71	5,395	1,608	7,003
1957 June	6,242	5,073	2,851	1,054	2,441	410	14,324	3,747	18,071
1958 June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
1957 October	6,463	4,661	2,585	1,242	2,075	662	13,859	3,829	17,688
November	7,029	4,390	4,450	1,420	1,865	594	15,571	4,177	19,748
December	8,955	4,695	7,801	1,570	2,393	591	21,851	4,154	26,005
1958 January	9,872	4,974	9,357	1,522	2,596	434	24,273	4,482	28,755
February	9,620	4,085	9,431	1,444	2,257	326	22,141	5,022	27,163
March	8,721	4,135	7,814	1,554	2,018	243	19,359	5,126	24,485
April	9,568	5,006	7,831	1,896	2,214	296	20,875	5,936	26,811
May	10,502	5,894	5,799	2,085	2,543	459	20,552	6,730	27,282
June	11,703	6,899	4,905	2,267	3,005	639	22,051	7,367	29,418
July	12,098	7,442	3,907	2,393	3,363	712	22,266	7,649	29,915
August	11,350	7,435	3,176	2,207	3,219	891	21,104	7,174	28,278
September	10,626	6,735	2,984	1,933	2,875	849	19,098	6,904	26,002
October	10,302	5,656	2,874	1,707	2,709	789	17,494	6,543	24,037
November	9,859	4,916	3,031	1,507	2,354	635	15,872	6,430	22,302
December	11,881	5,436	5,460	1,707	2,501	580	20,919	6,646	27,565
1959 January	12,847	5,389	8,359	1,471	3,009	411	24,647	6,839	31,486
February	12,070	4,572	6,866	1,331	2,914	454	21,272	6,935	28,207
March	11,981	4,548	6,769	1,123	2,850	398	20,551	7,118	27,669

(a) Number on benefit at last Saturday of month. For June, 1951 and June, 1952 the figures represent the number of persons on the cash sheet; thereafter they represent the number actually on benefit. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes the Northern Territory.